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**TO**: BPA SUD Provider Network

**FROM**: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare

Division of Behavioral Health

**SUBJECT**: Billing for Recovery Coaching

As of August 12, 2013, Substance Use Disorder network providers have been able to deliver recovery coaching as a Life Skills service for Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) funded populations. The Division of Behavioral Health (DBH) intended to develop recovery coaching as a separate billable recovery support service (RSS) effective October 1, 2013. Due to the implementation of the new BPA contract and WITS also on October 1, 2013, DBH has decided to delay this until a later date.

Those providers that meet the staffing requirements for Life Skills indicated in IDAPA 16.07.20 section 720.03 and with staff trained by a CCAR-certified recovery coach trainer may continue billing for recovery coaching as a Life Skills service past October 1, 2013. DBH will inform all providers when recovery coaching is developed as its own separate billable RSS.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Any questions regarding this issue should be directed to Rosie Andueza at (208) 334-5934 or <a href="mailto:anduezar@dhw.idaho.gov">anduezar@dhw.idaho.gov</a>.

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